

# Southwest Viral Hepatitis Summit Las Vegas, NV

**WHEN:**      Thursday, November 13, 2008      1:00 PM - 5:30 PM  
                      Friday, November 14, 2008      8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**WHERE:**      Orleans Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada

**Hepatitis Foundation International** announces a 1 1/2 day professional education and training Summit for health professionals and others working with people who are affected by or infected with viral hepatitis including:

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| ✓ nurse practitioners  | ✓ pharmacists    | ✓ case managers     |
| ✓ physician assistants | ✓ social workers | ✓ dental assistants |
| ✓ nurses               | ✓ counselors     | ✓ others            |

**Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be provided to nurses and substance abuse counselors.**

**Program Objectives:**

- Describe viral hepatitis risk factors and recommend hepatitis testing for patients,
- Discuss viral hepatitis transmission and prevention with patients using simple and clear language,
- Explain viral hepatitis tests and their meanings,
- Describe major functions of the liver and why the liver is a vital organ,
- List counseling messages for newly diagnosed patients regarding treatment options and maintaining health,
- Discuss the current treatment for hepatitis B and C including expectations for evaluation, duration, side effect management, and the need for support, and
- List patient support strategies to increase treatment completion.

**HOUSING:**    Orleans Conference Rate – \$62 (available 11/12-13), Group Code 8HFIC11  
 Call 1-800-675-3267 or go to [www.orleanscasino.com](http://www.orleanscasino.com) and use the same group code.

**\*\*\* REGISTER EARLY! \*\*\* LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE \*\*\***

**REGISTRATION INCLUDES:** All sessions, meals, refreshments, syllabus, educational materials, CEUs and access to exhibits.

Summit Registration:                      \$ 150.00  
 Late Registration After October 31st:    \$ 170.00

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

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## Agenda

### Thursday, November 13

1:00 PM	Liver Health First and Foremost	– <b>Thelma King Thiel, Chair &amp; CEO</b> , Hepatitis Foundation International
2:00 PM	Las Vegas Outbreak	– <b>Brian Labus, MPH</b> , Southern Nevada Health District
2:30 PM	Depression, Mental Health, and Hepatitis C Infection	– <b>Andrew Angelino, MD</b> , Johns Hopkins Medical Center
3:30 PM	Evaluation & Management of Hepatitis C	– <b>Donald Hillebrand, MD</b> , Scripps Health
4:30 PM	Hepatitis A Vaccination- A Success Story	– <b>Dale Klabacha</b> , Southern Nevada Health District

### Friday, November 14

7:30 AM	Registration & Exhibits Open / Breakfast	
8:30 AM	Integration of STIs, HIV and Hepatitis: Advancing Prevention and Control of Viral Hepatitis	– <b>Geoff Beckett, PA-C, MPH</b> , CDC, Div. of Viral Hepatitis
9:30 AM	Sorting Out The Diagnostics	– <b>Ed Marino, PA-C</b> , Porter Adventist Hospital
10:30 AM	Break	
10:45 AM	The Challenge of Addiction for Providers and Hepatitis Patients	– <b>Amy Smith, PA</b> , OASIS Clinic
11:45 PM	Congressman Berkley's Office – Remarks / Lunch (served)	
1:00 PM	ABC's of Sexual Transmission – Newborns to the Nineties	– <b>Trudy Larson, MD</b> , University of Nevada, Reno
2:00 PM	Side Effects Management: Interferon and Ribavirin	– TBD
3:00 PM	Break	
3:15 PM	Hepatitis B – Chronic? Carrier? When and How to Treat	– <b>Raymond Koff, MD</b> , University of Connecticut
4:15 PM	Patient Care Alternatives: A Holistic Approach	– <b>Catherine Frenette, MD</b> , California Pacific Medical Center
5:15 PM	Closing Remarks	
5:30 PM	Program Adjourned	

#### **FREE Hepatitis Patient & Community Forum: Vaccination, Testing, Exhibits, Presentations & Education Thursday, November 13 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM**

8:00 AM	Registration & Exhibits Open
9:00 AM	Welcome & Intro – Thelma King Thiel, Chair & CEO
9:15 AM	The Importance of Hepatitis & Liver Health – <b>Corinna Dan, RN, MPH</b>
10:00 AM	Clearing Up Confusion About Lab Tests and Alternative Treatments – <b>Kathy White, RN, BSN</b>
11:00 AM	Coping with the Shock, Diagnosis and Treatment – <b>Evelyn McKnight, MD</b>

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#### **Continuing Education**

Application for nursing and addiction professional contact hours currently in process. Continuing education credits awarded based on participation in Summit activities measured by:

- 1) registration sign-in
- 2) evaluation of all sessions attended

#### **Planning Committee**

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